

# Transportation Alternatives Program



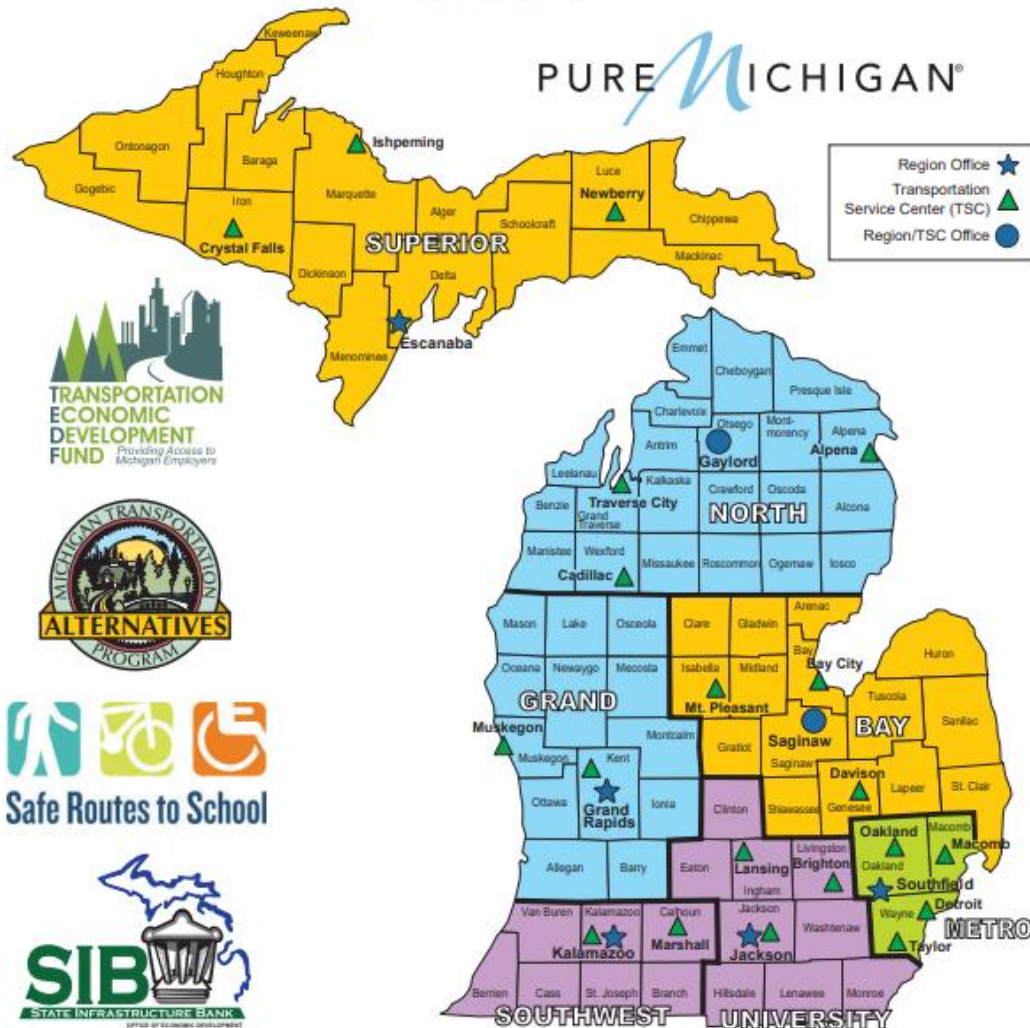
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# Transportation Alternatives Program

- Federal funding program created by MAP-21
- Replaced the Transportation Enhancement Program
- \$6 million selected by large MPO's with populations greater than 200,000
- \$16 million selected by MDOT

## ***Quick Fact:***

*Michigan's share of TAP funding represents about a \$10 million reduction from SAFETEA-LU funding levels*



# Transportation Alternatives Program

## What is it?

- Federal funding for non-motorized projects, such as pedestrian safety improvements and shared-use pathway construction
- Community tool for improving quality of life and creating the “place” where employees want to live and businesses want to locate





# Transportation Alternatives Program

## Who is eligible to apply?

- Road Agencies (Act 51 Agencies)
  - Cities & Villages
  - County Road Agencies
  - DNR
- Transit Agencies
- Native American Tribes



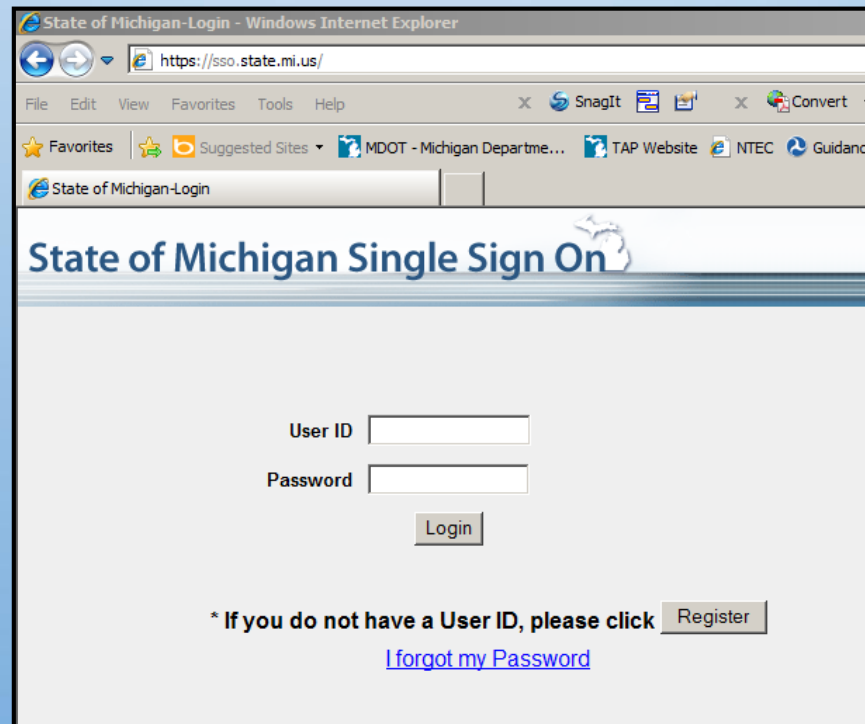
# Transportation Alternatives Program Application Process

- Open application period; no deadline
- Conditional Grant Commitments
  - for future year construction
- Grant decisions made three times a year
  - timeline available online
- Online application
- Competitive
- Cash match
  - 20% required
  - 40% average



# Transportation Alternatives Program Application Process

- Discuss your project idea with a Grant Coordinator
- Online application: MDOT Grant System
- Register at <https://sso.state.mi.us/>



The screenshot shows a Windows Internet Explorer browser window with the address bar displaying <https://sso.state.mi.us/>. The browser's menu bar includes File, Edit, View, Favorites, Tools, and Help. The toolbar shows icons for Snagit, Convert, and other applications. The address bar also displays a search bar and a list of favorites including MDOT - Michigan Department of Transportation, TAP Website, NTEC, and Guidance. The main content area of the browser displays the "State of Michigan Single Sign On" login page. The page has a header with the text "State of Michigan Single Sign On" and a small map of Michigan. Below the header, there are two input fields: "User ID" and "Password". Below these fields is a "Login" button. At the bottom of the page, there is a note: "\* If you do not have a User ID, please click" followed by a "Register" button. Below the note is a link: [I forgot my Password](#).



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## Transportation Alternatives Program

The Transportation Alternatives Program (TAP) is a competitive grant program that uses federal transportation funds designated by Congress for specific activities that enhance the intermodal transportation system and provide safe alternative transportation options.

The revised [TAP Applicant Guide](#) is available.

The guide consolidates TAP information for the overall Michigan TAP program, including the MDOT TAP program, six metropolitan planning organization (MPO) TAP programs, and the MDOT Safe Routes to School (SRTS) program. The guide includes a focus on how to be competitive in the MDOT TAP program.

It is highly recommended that any potential TAP project be discussed with a [TAP grant coordinator](#) or any potential SRTS project be discussed with a [SRTS grant coordinator](#) before beginning an application. We want potential applicants to be assured they have a competitive concept worth investing in significant documentation.

[TAP Applicant Guide](#) 

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## Example Match Sources

Alma College	Dow Chemical
Bay Metropolitan Transportation Authority	Dyer Ives Foundation
Benzie Transportation Authority	East Grand Rapids Community Foundation
Berry Junction Trail Commission	Flint Mass Transportation Authority
Bradford White Corporation	Fremont Foundation
Calhoun County Trailway Alliance	Frey Foundation
Capital Area Transportation Authority	Friends of Saginaw Valley Rail Trail
Charlevoix County Community Foundation	Friends of the Fred Meijer Heartland Trail
Chemical Bank	
Citizens Bank	Genesee County Parks
Community Foundation for Muskegon County	Kalamazoo County Parks Foundation
Community Foundation of Southeast Michigan	Kent County Parks Department
Community Foundation of St. Clair County	Kellogg Foundation
Cutlerville Chamber of Commerce	Kresge Foundation
Detroit Science Center	T.A.R.T Trails
Detroit Riverfront Conservancy	Greater Corktown Development
Detroit Transportation Corp.	Hemlock Semi Conductor

## Example Match Sources

Henry Ford Health System  
LISC Detroit  
Lowell Area Recreation Authority  
J.P. Morgan Chase  
Mackinac Island State Park Commission  
MCM Marine Inc.  
Meijer Foundation  
Michigan Natural Resources Trust Fund  
Midtown Detroit, Inc.  
Motor Cities National Heritage Area  
Muskegon Conservation District  
Muskegon River Watershed Assembly  
National Oceanic & Atmospheric Admin.  
Rotary Clubs  
Ruth Mott Foundation  
Saginaw Bay Watershed Initiative Network  
Saginaw Chippewa Indian Tribe  
SMART  
Southwest Detroit Business Association

Spectrum Health  
University Center Cultural Association  
W.K. Kellogg Foundation  
Washtenaw County Parks Dept.  
Wayne State University  
West Michigan Trails & Greenways  
Coalition  
Wickers Foundation  
Wilson Foundation  
Woodward Avenue Action Association

### DDA's:

Mattawan	Battle Creek
Owosso	Beaverton
Sparta Standall	Coldwater
Township of Dorr	Eaton Rapids
Webberville	Lexington
Ann Arbor	Indian River

# Transportation Alternatives Program

## On- and off-road bicycle/pedestrian facilities



Photo courtesy of Moore & Bruggink, Inc.



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**Silver Lake Sand Dunes Area Nonmotorized Facilities  
Oceana County Road Commission**



# Transportation Alternatives Program

## Shared-use path



Photo courtesy of KVRT

**Kalamazoo River Valley Trailway, Kalamazoo Co. Rd. Comm.**

# Transportation Alternatives Program

## Conversion and use of abandoned railroad corridors for shared-use trails



Photo courtesy of Rails to Trails Conservancy



Photo courtesy of Grosse Pointe Patch

**Macomb Orchard Trail, Macomb Co. Dept. of Roads**



# Transportation Alternatives Program

## Bicycle facilities



Photo courtesy of Detroit Department of Transportation

**DDOT Bike Racks on Buses**



Photo courtesy of Southwest Detroit Business Association

**Detroit West Vernor Bike Lanes**



# Michigan Transportation Alternatives Program (TAP) 2019 Accomplishments



Funding provided for

## 49 Projects in 44 Communities in 27 Counties

**TAP Investment**  
**\$31.5m**



- \$23.4m in facilities for pedestrians/bicyclists
- \$7m in Safe Routes to School projects
- \$1.1m in land acquisition

## 108 TAP-Funded Miles

83.5 miles of bike/walk facilities

16.2 miles of sidewalk/pathways to schools

8.3 miles of land acquisition for rails-to-trails

Miles 10 20 30 40 50 60 70 80

### Iron Belle Trail Investment

\$3.1m 7.4 miles



### TAP Project Map

■ Received TAP funding



■ Leveraged \$17.7m in matching funds ■ Support for 500+ construction jobs

For more information, visit [www.Michigan.gov/TAP](http://www.Michigan.gov/TAP)



Data includes TAP investments by MDOT, Southeast Michigan Council of Governments, Grand Valley Metro Council, Genesee County Metropolitan Planning Commission, Tri-County Regional Planning Commission, Kalamazoo Area Transportation Study, and Southwestern Michigan Planning Commission/Niles-Buchanan-Cass Area Transportation Study.

# Questions?



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